

U.S. Senate
Desk Description and Condition Report

Desk No : **059**

Paper Label No.(on shelf bottom): 17

Painted No. (on bottom): 11

Other identifying labels or marks (specify location): Two brass plaques on stretcher reading "17" and "17"; inside case back panel "XII"

Description of Desk

Dimensions (in inches)

	Overall	Orig. Desk*	Case	Shelf
Height	35 1/8	31 3/8		
Width (front)	28 1/4		25 3/4	
Width (rear)	26 1/2		23 11/16	
Depth	20		19 1/4	9 1/2

* Note: not including "booster" blocks added to feet or writing top

Woods

Primary:

Mahogany ☒

Mahogany veneer ☒

Rosewood veneer ☒

Other Wood (specify): _____

Character of case mahogany:

Plain ☐

Ribbon ☒

Mottled ☒

Crotch ☐

Other ☐

Secondary:

Element	Pine	Ash	Poplar	Mahog	Other
Drawer Sides				✓	
Drawer Bottom			✓		
Drawer Back				✓	
Case Interior	✓	✓			

Construction Details

Leg:

Wood Type	rosewood crossband	other crossband	no crossband
mahog. veneer	✓		
solid mahogany			
other: _____			

Foot construction: 1-part ☐
 2-part ☒
 5-part ☐
 Other: _____

Double bead on edge of leg:
 Thickness: 1 1/4"

Shape of cross-stretcher edges:
 Rounded ☐
 Rectangular ☒

Spindle type:	Thick	Thin	Other
Number	3	3	4

Joinery of lower drawer blade to case sides:
 single dovetail ☐
 2 dovetails ☐
 3 dovetails ☒
 lap joint ☐
 other: _____

Cockbead width on bottom of drawer front:
 Narrow ☒
 Full width ☐

Opening in original top for inkwell: Yes ☐
 No ☐

Roundels: Single piece ("yo-yo" form) ☒
 Applied boss ☐

Inset distance of single bead on desk back panel:
 Side: 1 1/4"
 Top: 7/8"
 Bottom: 7/8"

No. of Glue Blocks	Case	Stretch'r	Shelf
Original/Old			2
New/Recent			
Missing			

Case built-out for drawer: Yes ☐
 No ☒

Condition of Desk

Structure

Previous breaks in structural elements: Yes ☒
(show on schematic)
No ☐

Current split or broken elements: Yes ☒
(show on schematic)
No ☐

Other loose or damaged joinery: Yes ☐
(describe in narrative) No ☒

Damage to drawer fronts: Extreme ☐
Moderate ☒
Minor ☐

Drawer lock: relocated on face Yes ☒

Drawer lock: resized on inside Yes ☒

Cockbead on drawer front: Damaged ☒
(show on schematic)
Missing ☐
Loose ☒
Replacements ☐

Replaced drawer-side runners: Yes ☒
No ☐

Replaced case-side runners: Yes ☒
No ☐

Drawer bottom pieced-out at back edge: Yes ☐
No ☒

Wear on Feet	Extreme	Moderate	Minor
Front	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rear	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Number of loose spindles:
No: 1

Number of replaced spindles:
(show on schematic) No: 7

Replaced veneers and cross-banding: Yes ☐
(show on schematic) No ☒

Missing veneers and cross-banding: Yes ☒
(show on schematic) No ☐

Delaminated/loose veneers & cross-banding: Yes ☒
(show on schematic) No ☐

Shelf supports: Original/old ☐
New/recent ☒
Missing ☐

Shelf molding applied: Yes ☐
No ☒

Dowel support board in case: Yes ☒
No ☐

Finish

Age	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
New		✓		
Old				
Unk.				

Note: Describe finish problems in narrative.

Hardware/Attachments

Item	Mismatch	Missing	Damaged
Knob (L)			
Knob (R)			

Toe cap size:

Right toe: 6

Left toe: 6